Amendment dated January 27, 2006 Reply to Office Action of November 29, 2005

REMARKS

Claims 1-12 are pending in the application. Claims 1-12 stand rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-11 of U.S. Patent No. 6,944,054, claim 9 is objected to but would be allowed if rewritten in independent form, and claim 1 is objected to because of informality.

With this response, a terminal disclaimer is submitted as attached to this communication to obviate the double-patenting rejection. Claim 1 has been amended to correct informality of language. No new matter is added by amendment.

In view of the above amendment and submission of the terminal disclaimer, applicant believes the pending application is in condition for allowance.

A fee of \$65.00 for the filing of the terminal disclaimer accompanies this Reply. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the required fee of \$65.00 for filing the disclaimer to Deposit Account No. <u>08-0219</u>. No other fees are believed to be due at this time. However, please charge any additional fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. <u>08-0219</u>.

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